

THE NEWS.

The Dwight and Barnett Paper Company, dealers in printing and wrapping paper, of Chicago, assigned. The assets are placed at \$40,000 and liabilities at \$50,000. Foreclosure on a judgment note was the immediate cause of the assignment.

The rush of St. Louis brewers to buy beer stamps before the new tariff bill goes into effect has exhausted the supply, and the authorities have ordered an additional \$600,000 worth from Washington. A similar amount was on hand when the run began early in the week. Of this amount \$161,000 worth was taken by one of the firm of brewers, who have applied for more.

President James P. Edoff, of the California Liquor Dealers' Protective Association, has gone east to confer with the officials of the Santa Fe Railway, and an effort is to be made to have said rule forbidding employes to enter saloons either while on or off duty.

A boat was found on the beach at Cape Porpoise, Me., bottom up, and it is thought that two boys who started out in it were drowned. The boys were George Ellis, 15 years old, and Chester Armstrong, aged 18, both belonging in Somerville, Mass.

Rene Doumle, the literary critic of the Revue des Deux Mondes, was engaged by the Cercle Francais de l'Universite Harvard, a literary and dramatic society of the undergraduates, to give a course of lectures on French literature, under its direction, before Harvard University, during the coming academic year.

Louis Brandt, a Memphis man, who went to New Orleans for treatment at the Touri Infirmary, some time ago, shot himself twice, with suicidal intent, in that institution and will probably die.

Mrs. W. J. Cooke, wife of Ex-Mayor Cooke of Asheville, N. C., committed suicide at her home. She was Miss Minnie Lyne, of Cynthia, Ky., and was married to Mr. Cooke less than a year ago.

The executive committee in charge of the celebration to be given at Fremont, O., September 2, when President McKinley will visit the city, have issued invitations to William Jennings Bryan, Ex-President Grover Cleveland, Horace Chapman, the Democratic nominee for Governor of Ohio, to be guests of the city the same day and to take part in the exercises.

A meeting was held Sunday evening in E'nal B'irth Building, San Francisco, in behalf of the Jewish colonists. The assembly had to be adjourned abruptly in order to avoid a collision between two factions, the one favoring the colonization and the other denouncing it as a scheme.

General Hubbard, of New York, is the most prominently mentioned man as the probable successor to Colonel Crocker as first vice-president of the Southern Pacific Railway Company.

The United States House of Representatives held a day and night session Monday and adopted the conference report on the tariff bill by a vote of 189 to 115.

Wady Watkins, aged twelve years, was accidentally shot and killed in York county Va., while returning with a companion from a hunting trip.

President Hatchford, of the Miners' Union, has issued a statement, in which he says that 120,000 miners are now out, and 20,000 more are expected to strike this week. He claims that the organized trades were never in closer touch in a movement than they are in this strike.

Wm. A. Bellwood, of Philadelphia, dealer in curios and antiques, was arrested in New York, charged with swindling Marcus & Co., jewelers, of that city, out of jewelry valued at \$25,000.

Mrs. Annie Brown, of Chicago, lost her two little boys on a steamboat between Milwaukee and Chicago, and suspects that a woman kidnaped them.

The board of managers of the Baptist Young People's Union, in session at Chattanooga, selected Buffalo, N. Y., for next year's meeting-place.

Anxiety is felt in shipping circles at Newport News and Norfolk for the safety of a number of schooners and barges from New England ports.

Eileen Peck, the notorious confederate woman, is wanted by the New York police on the charge of swindling parties out of \$15,000.

Thousands of freight cars are being sidetracked in Kansas and neighboring states, to carry the great wheat crop.

Dr. Robert Hubbard, aged seventy-one years, died at his home at Bridgeport, Conn., from the effects of a fall.

Mrs. Horace Noble was killed by lightning in the parlor of her home, near Erie Pa.

Four women and three men were killed by an explosion in the loading department of the army of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, at New Haven, Ct. A number of others were badly injured.

The miners at the Allison mine, in Pittsburg, are ready to go to work, but are afraid of the invading strikers. The sheriff of the county has been in additional deputies.

The National Executive Committee of the Gold Democrats held a meeting in New York, and decided to make a hard fight in Ohio, Kentucky and Iowa.

Thomas E. Watson, in his paper, demands the resignation of Senator Marion Butler as national chairman of the People's party.

General B. W. Caldwell, president of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, died at his home in Cleveland.

V. T. Trevan, an alleged counterfeiter, was arrested in Chicago by a United States Secret Service detective.

The pipe shippers of Virginia have organized, with a view of securing better prices for their product.

LYNCHED BY A MOB.

Brinkley, It is supposed, Was Hanged Because of His Character. The body of Ephraim Brinkley, who lives several miles from Madisonville, in Kentucky, was found dangling from a limb near his home. He had been lynched by a mob of about 40 men, who suspected that Brinkley killed Thomas Cronille, a well-to-do resident of the neighborhood, several weeks ago.

No evidence could be found to connect him with the crime, but it is supposed that because of his general bad character, and to prevent murders in the future, Brinkley was lynched.

DEATH FROM THUNDER.

After a Terrible Fall a Mont Clair Man Falls Lifeless.

During the recent storm E. K. Post, a New York business man, whose home was at Montclair, N. J., died suddenly of heart disease, due, it is believed, to shock caused by a heavy clap of thunder during the storm.

Mr. Post who was well advanced in years, was standing in his front yard when the crash came. He hurried into the house and died almost instantly. He was not struck by lightning, but the fright occasioned by the loud clap caused his heart to give away.

MAD RUSH FOR GOLD.

Thousands Willing to Run the Risk of Starvation.

SYNDICATES AT WORK.

Steamers are Crowded With Men and Some Women Bound for the Klondike—The Owner of Dawson City, Says that the Prospect There Now Can Hardly be Supported This Winter—Tales of Great Earnings.

A despatch from San Francisco, Cal., says: The entire Pacific Coast has gone gold mad since the discoveries of the yellow metal in the Klondike region, in Alaska. The Alaska Commercial Company's steamers will not be able to carry a tenth of the hordes now preparing to start for the frozen gold fields.

Great processions of men, and some women, have been filing in and out of the steamship offices, asking particulars about transportation and routes. It is estimated that 5000 people will start from San Francisco towards Alaska before August. From the ports of Puget Sound as many more will embark. Tacoma reports that men of wealth in that city are forming syndicates and advancing grubstakers, with the understanding that the men who do the work are to receive half of the gold they secure. These syndicates are made up of from ten to twenty men, and each one signs a contract to receive his share of the proceeds. Each party will scatter on reaching the placers, and it is estimated that at least two out of each party of ten will strike it rich and bring the average of all up to not less than \$10,000.

To Charter a Steamer. The biggest scheme of all is to charter the Northern Pacific steamer City of Seattle, provision her and load her down with all sorts of goods suitable for use in the Far North. It is proposed to send the vessel up the Yukon River as far as possible and to utilize her during the winter as headquarters for the Tacoma colony. All the experienced Yukon miners insist that those who venture into the Klondike country must have at least one year's supply of provisions, but such warnings are not heeded by many who are only anxious to get into the gold fields, and then trust to luck to make a living. All classes of people are joining the gold hunters, but street car employes and policemen take the lead in point of numbers. One capitalist who proposed paying men \$5 a day and meet all their necessary expenses, besides dividing earnings with them, was overwhelmed with applicants and had to withdraw his offer.

It is leaking out that many who returned last Spring from Klondike were careful not to give a version of the story of their adventure. Maps of Alaska are in demand. The center of the new gold region is not within Alaskan territory, but forty miles are not much on a map, and thousands of prospective adventurers on the Pacific Coast are studying the somewhat uncertain lines and charts that will serve to guide fortune-hunters into the far Northwest.

The advent of the Excelsior, with its load of gold dust, has dispelled some of the hazy notions of this distant Yukon region, which generally has been regarded as a dreary succession of impassable snow, mountains and impenetrable ice prairies. The gold hunters who returned with fortunes tell of a country rich not alone in minerals, but in variety of climate and resources. It is not an endless ice carnival up there. There are two months of sunshine and summer. There are trees and berries and flowers, and where cultivation of the soil has been attempted, according to the requirements of that latitude, it has been successful. Nevertheless, the dangers from cold and famine are great, and the menace of snow, ice and the relentless winters will have a restraining influence on the exodus.

Reports of Rapid Wealth. The arrival of the steamer Portland, with \$700,000 in gold, and a second party of the miners, is taken as full confirmation of the stories of the richness of the mines. On the other hand, it accentuates the question many will ask before deciding to invest \$500 to \$1000 in the dangerous northern trip. The question is, "Why are so many of the miners returning with fortunes as small as \$10,000 or \$25,000 if there is such a wealth of gold that anybody may obtain? These miners might have all stayed and become millionaires, judging by their own descriptions, before the people in this part of the continent had a chance to get there. Of course, some have given good reasons for coming away so early; some are going back and all have brought gold enough to force the sceptics into admission that the discovery on the Klondike must have been a rich one.

Two Boys' Throats Cut. One Dead and the Other Dying—Attacked by an Unknown Man.

Near Mountville, seven miles south of Wheeling, a most heinous assault was made upon two children, one of whom is dead and the other dying. Both their throats were cut, evidently with a briar hoe. The victims, the children of Martha Edwards, are Stanley, aged ten, and Willie, aged four.

The father left the family some time ago and the mother has been supporting her children by washing. Tuesday morning she went to the home of J. M. Roberts, leaving her children at home, with instructions to look after the chickens. When she returned she found the house locked. She called for the children and heard Willie faintly answering her.

About thirty feet in the rear of the house Willie was found, with a horrible wound in his throat and apparently in a dying condition. The mother gave the alarm, and Stanley was found dead a short distance away and beside him a bloody grub hoe. When Willie was partially revived he said he and his brother were playing, when a tall man, with light clothes, attacked them with the hoe. He knew nothing else.

George Edwards, a neighbor, who was the first to respond to the call of the mother for help, was attacked by a tall man, with light clothes, and knocked senseless. The whole community is out, but so far there is no clue.

TRAIN ENDS FOUR LIVES.

Three Sleeping Boys and a Colored Tramp Killed.

A freight train in the International & Great Northern yards in Austin, Tex., ran over four white boys who were sleeping on the tracks, killing John Bridges, 15 years; Charles Sweeney, 13, and L. Montgomery, 13 years old. Henry Eats, 16 years, was terribly hurt.

As the train left the yards an hour later a colored man named Cox tried to grab a brake bar to stand a ride, but fell and was mangled into pulp.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

The entire family of Robert McCullough, east of Sharon, were poisoned by inhaling insect powder which was thrown into a room to kill flies.

Mrs. McCullough is in a dangerous condition, while three other members are seriously ill.

A party of fishermen at Muncy Dam discovered a large can floating in the river Upon opening it they found inside the dead body of an infant. Indications are that the babe was alive when placed in the can. The coroner is making an investigation.

Edward Trainor of Franklin, a visitor to the Second Brigade Camp, at Conneaut Lake, was stricken with paralysis on the parade grounds, and died shortly after in the Tenth Regiment Hospital. He is said to be an attorney.

Min Jenkins, a 20-year-old colored girl, of the South Side, Oil City, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. The street car and electric light service was interrupted.

Harry Gates, who conducts the Logan Valley Dairy, Tyrone, in trying to turn his horse on Jefferson Avenue toppled his wagon over. He tried to jump, but the wagon caught his right leg, resulting in a complete fracture of the bone below the knee. Mr. Gates' 9-year-old son, who was in the wagon, was not hurt.

Superintendent P. F. Brennan reports that about 600 aliens are employed in the seven mines of the Reading Coal & Iron Company in the Shamokin district. A big majority of these aliens are of the Slavonic races, but the new alien labor law is showing that quite a number of English, Welsh and Irish workmen have failed to take out their naturalization papers.

Three boys were seriously injured and five others slightly injured as the result of a youthful prank at Lansford. The boys placed a repairmen's truck on the tracks of the Electric Railway at that place to ride down the steep grade to Coal Dale. They lost control of the truck and it jumped the track.

Miss Lizzie Brown, of Hazleton, claims to have been cured by faith of rheumatism, with which she was afflicted for some years. She tried all known means of getting healed and finally submitted to the faith cure, which, she says, has been successful.

The Rev. Mr. Austin, one of the Christian Holiness camp-meeting ministers, is the divine healer. Miss Brown, who before was unable to walk, exhibited herself at the meeting held a few miles from Hazleton. Now others who have been afflicted have applied for the faith cure.

Mrs. Ida Simmerman, wife of Charles Simmerman, a printer, of Easton, committed suicide by drowning herself in a bath tub at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Mary Keen, No. 134 South Sixth Street.

She sent her mother away from the house to buy a few notions. Her daughter, Viola, aged 11, she locked out of the room. The latter heard her mother moaning, and becoming frightened, summoned William McIntire, a neighbor.

McIntire got a ladder and entered the bathroom window. The woman lay in the bath tub. She had been in the Norris-town Insane Asylum, but was brought home by her husband about four weeks ago.

He is said to have deserted her, and she became deranged again. Mrs. Simmerman was about 32 years of age.

The State Fish Commission met with Governor Hastings and had a talk with him on the question of the lost appropriation. It was agreed that they should raise \$25,000 by asking fifty persons to subscribe to a fund, and the state to reimburse them. Governor Hastings and Attorney General McCormick at once subscribed \$500 each.

The Pennsylvania Fisheries Association will meet in Philadelphia and consider the matter, and a convention of the Fish Protection Association will be called to help things along, so that it is believed the fish hatcheries will not have to be closed.

The Fish Commission advised the Governor to veto the Baldwin game and fish warden bill and the new fish bill.

A peculiar case is now receiving treatment at the Lancaster hospital, that of Joseph Bates, a deaf and dumb man, who was found in his room at the Blobe Hotel, nearly dead from the gas that filled his room. The man left a note stating that he had relatives in Chicago, and that was the last communication he could make, for though he is now conscious, the hand he had used in writing became paralyzed after he wrote his last message.

While playing cards, John Patrosky and George Grablisky, of Shenandoah, quarreled. Patrosky was stabbed in the left breast and a left arm. His wounds are thought to be fatal.

Grablisky was arrested and placed under \$500 bail to await results.

On returning from a moonlight excursion down the river, Rev. Adolas Allen, co-pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Reading, and his wife, had a narrow escape from drowning. They alighted from the boat at the Sixth Street wharf, and in the darkness walked into the canal at Jackson's lock, where the water is fifteen feet deep. Charles Bowman plunged in and rescued them after they had twice sunk.

Miss Katherine Mills and her aunt, Miss Mills, of Williamsport, were driving in a dogcart when the horse ran off, throwing the occupants out and smashing the vehicle's splinters. Miss Katherine Mills was facially injured. Her aunt escaped with a broken leg and some bruises.

Mrs. Horace Noble, a prominent lady of Erie, was instantly killed at Giles Park by a flash of lightning. She was sitting in the car with several companions when the house was struck, but was the only victim.

Brakeman Charles E. Gulle, of Corning, N. Y., was killed by a locomotive in the Erie Railroad yard at Susquehanna. He leaves a wife and child.

While attempting to jump on a Reading freight train, near Shamokin, William Wagner, aged 29 years, fell beneath the cars and had one leg so badly crushed that amputation was necessary.

DESERTED WIFE KILLED.

She Thought Her Husband Dead and Remarried—The Truant Returns.

Melissa, wife of Fred Darrow, of Stanhope, Webster County, Ky., was shot dead while sitting on the front porch of her house, and Joel Warner, a former husband, who suddenly left her five years ago, is in jail.

After three years' absence the deserted wife considered him dead and married Fred Darrow, a farmer.

Warner appeared and demanded that she give up Darrow and go with him. She refused and ordered him to leave the place, when, it is said, he shot her. He then shot himself. He was seized, disarmed and placed in confinement. He will recover.

Ex-President Harrison has been invited to attend the centennial celebration of Franklin, O., a town his grandfather often made his headquarters during the War of 1812.

CLODBURST IN OHIO.

Many Persons Are Supposed to Have Been Drowned.

DISTRICT IN DARKNESS.

Agonizing Cries Heard From Those Imprisoned in Their Homes—The Waters Reach the Second Stories of Dwellings—Police and Firemen Use Boats in Their Work of Rescue.

A despatch from Youngstown, O., says: A terrific cloudburst struck this town, flooding the entire valley and causing great damage to property, both in the city and along the railroad lines.

Many persons are supposed to have been drowned. The entire country east and west for twenty miles was flooded, and the damage to property was enormous. The railroads being the heaviest losses. The Erie Railroad west of Warren, fourteen miles, and north of Sharon for the same distance, was entirely flooded out, and orders were issued to discontinue all trains.

Many residences here were flooded, and the occupants were taken away by the police and fire departments. The Mahoning Valley electric lines were flooded out and all the bridges washed away.

The Catholic Church in Niles was struck by lightning at the same hour and nearly destroyed by fire, while business houses and manufacturing concerns were flooded.

Henry Myers, a tailor, while standing at his residence on Mill street, was struck by lightning and killed instantly. He leaves a family.

On every railroad leading into the city come reports of extensive washouts and bridges swept away, and railroad officials say the loss will be the heaviest they have ever known.

Water Up to the Second Story. Along Crab Creek, running into the city in the southeast along the Erie and Lake Shore Railroads, and emptying into the Mahoning River near the Lake Shore Depot, a cloudburst occurred about ten miles out.

At about 10 o'clock the water swept down the valley and into the city, carrying everything that was not fastened down before it. The bed of the creek was not more than twenty feet wide, but the flood spread out to a width of about 2,000 feet. It rose quickly and in less than thirty minutes the water was up to the second stories of the dwelling houses in the flooded districts.

Cries of the Drowning. The whole district was in darkness except one small place, where a lone electric light shone. Firemen, police and others were on hand quickly, but were powerless to effect rescues, as not a boat of any kind was to be had. The cries of the people in the houses were heartrending to those who stood at the water's edge and who were forced to retreat on account of the rising water. It is almost a certainty that many lives were lost in this manner.

One whole family was heard crying for help from upper windows, when suddenly there was a grinding noise, as if the house was being moved from its foundation, and soon the cries from that place ceased.

The intense darkness made it impossible to see what was going on, but it is supposed that the house and its occupants went down in the flood.

People at the water's edge heard a man crying for help who was apparently being carried down the flood. The voice grew fainter, and it is supposed the unfortunate man perished.

The Work of Rescue. Pitiful cries for help were heard continually, but the crowd on the shore could do nothing in the way of giving aid. Police and firemen went at once to another part of the city after boats.

Nine families were taken out of second story windows within half an hour, and many persons were picked up clinging to debris.

CASHIER TURNED THE TABLES.

Chased the Robbers Out of Town on a Bicycle and Then Captured Them.

William Van Buskirk, cashier of the McWilliams Bank, Odell, Ill., saved the bank's cash from a pair of hold-ups, and, after chasing the two crooks out of town on a bicycle, captured them by the aid of some energetic citizens and locked them up.

The would-be robbers, who afterwards gave their names as Frank W. Jackson and Harry Howard, of New York, came into the bank about noon, when there was no one about but the cashier. Dropping a pair of guns on him, they gruffly ordered him to hold up his hands. But, instead of obeying, the adroit cashier disappeared behind the counter like a jack in the box. The first intimation the robbers had of his exact location was when, six seconds later, a lusty brace of six shooters appeared over the bulkhead of mahogany, and the cashier opened fire in a general direction, advising his visitors at the same time to "chase themselves."

They accepted the invitation with alacrity, but they had no sooner cleared the building than Van Buskirk was after them, shaking the loads out of his six shooters like balls out of a roman candle. The population of Odell unanimously appeared on the street, and headed by the bank cashier on a bicycle, scoured down the main street after the fleeing robbers. The latter had a buggy in charge of a small boy waiting on the edge of town, and made a swift get-away down the road as the pursuing crowd of cyclists and riders bore in sight around the corner. One robber stood up in the buggy and pumped lead at the posse, while the other encouraged the horse. But the wheelmen were too swift for the stable back, and the robbers took refuge in a corn field. Here they were surrounded and captured after a short, sharp fight, in which several shots were exchanged, but no casualties suffered beyond one bicycle tire being punctured by a bullet. It is supposed the robbers are the same who made two attempts to wreck the Wabash pay car between Fairbury and Forest last week.

NO REPLY FROM M'KINLEY.

President Not Likely to Take Action in the Absence of a Definite Plan.

The President has received the resolution adopted by the Pittsburgh Council asking him to use his good offices in the settlement of the coal strike, but has not yet sent a reply. He has also received many communications and suggestions on the subject, but it is improbable that he will take any action in the matter in the absence of some definite plan for the settlement of the strike.

ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Professor Clement L. Smith, of Harvard, is to be the next director of the American School of Classical Studies at Rome.

Governor Atkinson, of West Virginia, is very domestic in his tastes, and when through with the cares of office amuses himself playing the violin.

A Madras dentist has, it is announced, received a sum of £700 for supplying His Highness the Fizam of Hyderabad with a row of false teeth.

Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, who has been on a visit to Colorado, astonished his friends by coming back home minus his heavy black beard.

Gen. Robert Macleod Fraser, of the British Army, retired, 82 years of age, was recently knocked down and killed by an omnibus on the Edgeware road.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes has bought Saurdelale, near Bulawayo, South Africa. It consists of 10 farms, which he intends to cultivate. He will build the largest dam in South Africa.

Theodoris Richard Bland, son of the famous Congressman of that name, has just graduated with high honors and several prizes from the College of the Christian Brothers, in St. Louis.

Governor Bushnell, of Ohio, spent no money for securing his nomination at the recent Republican State Convention, but paid \$30 for hotel bills, \$5 for decorating room, \$3 for cigars and \$1.50 for carriage hire.

A publisher offered Sir Richard Burton \$2,500 for his "Arabian Nights." His wife thought the book worth more and undertook to publish it herself. It took an immense amount of work, but in the end it yielded over \$80,000, of which more than \$50,000 was clear profit.

Assistant Secretary of the State Day is a baseball crank. When Judge Day was a student at the University he played on the "varsity nine, and he has never lost interest in the sport. He seldom misses a game in Washington, and is usually accompanied by one or more of his four sons.

Ex-Secretary J. Sterling Morton has bought one of the famous old overland stages that began to run West from Kearney, Neb., in 1862, and will keep it at his country home, near Nebraska City, for the transportation of his visitors. It is what was known as Concord ten-passenger coach, and has an interesting history.

TWO CHILDREN KIDNAPPED.

Brogen Boys Disappeared From a Lake Steamer.

De Witt T. Brown and John Brown, the young sons of Mrs. Annie Brown, of Chicago, were kidnaped Friday morning and have disappeared as if they had dropped overboard from the steamer on which their mother last saw them.

The mother left Milwaukee Thursday night with her boys. A woman who had become slightly acquainted with Mrs. Brown in Milwaukee came down with them on the boat. On Friday morning after the boat had tied in its dock Mrs. Brown went to call her sons, but their stateroom was empty.

The woman was gone and Mrs. Brown came to the conclusion that the stranger had stolen the children and had slipped ashore in the darkness when the boat first touched its dock.

President Bennett's Statement. The explosion did not cause a fire, and the fire department confined its efforts to aiding in the work of relief.

The cause of the explosion has not been determined, and perhaps its cause may never be known. Some of those at work in the room at the time say it was due to the fact that a cartridge in process of loading had been improperly placed in the machine.

Of the injured, those who are able to talk remember nothing except a blinding flash. Some did not even hear the explosion.

The two Barford boys, working side by side, were thrown at a tangent out one side of the building. They struck the ground thirty feet away.

Edward Barford died after being taken to the hospital.

Edward Blair, working ten feet away at his machine, was sent upward through the roof. He fell on an ash heap, with broken bones and a fractured skull and his legs twisted out of shape. The doctors say he, too, will die.

T. C. Bennett, president of the company, said: "We have been running automatic loading machines for something more than twenty years, and this is the first time that any one has been injured in their use. Since the adoption of these machines we have had no accidents in the use of black powder."

Mr. Bennett expressed the belief that through the carelessness of the operator or the powder boy the machine that exploded had been overcharged.

ESCAPED FROM ARMENIA.

Carpar Margarian Reaches New York and Tells of the Outrages.

Carpar Margarian, an aged Armenian, was the leader of a band of twenty-five refugees who just arrived in New York in the steamer of the Dutch steamship Spaardam from Rotterdam. The party came from Harpoot, in Asia Minor, the scene of a bloody massacre by the Kurds.

"We left our homes and the most of our property," said old Carpar. "Just before we left a priest, named Dar Sorkes, who refused to give information to the Kurds, had his head left in twain by one blow of the sword."

"Hagot Kasizian, the rich farmer near Harpoot, was brutally murdered by nineteen Kurds, who descended on his house and demanded some money. They promised to leave if he gave up his wealth, but on receiving it they bound him to a chair and hacked off his arms and legs. His only daughter, a girl of twenty, was taken captive."

"From Harpoot our party proceeded on horseback to Samson, on the Black sea, where we finally secured passage in a free steamer for Marseilles. We then journeyed to Rotterdam, where we secured passage on the Spaardam."

PREPARED FOR THE RUSH.

Millions of Bushels of Grain Ready for Deportation Out West.

Long trains of empty freight cars have rolled out of Kansas City for two weeks and dropped off in twos, threes and fives on side tracks along the lines of the railroads in Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma. These empty freight cars, of which there are thousands, will be filled with new wheat inside of four or five weeks.

A tremendous grain rush is expected, and the best of management by railroad officials will be needed to prevent a huge grain blockade, or a grain car famine. Conservative estimates of crop statisticians place the yield of wheat for this year in Kansas at 60,000,000 bushels.

The President of the French Republic has been compelled to omit this year the customary audience and invitation to luncheon to the owner of the horse winning the Grand Steeplechase at Autoull, for the owner is Mlle. Marry, the actress.

BLOWN UP BY POWDER.

Seven Lives Lost in a Gun Factory.

A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.